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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Sacramento – Drone Drops Anti-Media Flyers with Swastika Over Sacramento State University

(U) Hundreds of anti-media flyers – some of which included a swastika – were dropped over a Sacramento State University fundraising dinner on 3 May. The flyers were dropped over the outdoor "Bites on the Bridge" fundraiser and included the phrases: "Stop the press! The press is the enemy!" and "Stop the TV (Expletive) takeover." According to Sacramento State campus police, they are planning an investigation, and Sacramento State's President issued a statement in which he denounced the flyers as "hate speech and propaganda."

SOURCE: 4 May 2019, SF Gate

(U) San Luis Obispo – Man Arrested in Connection with Shooting of Six at Park

(U) Authorities arrested a 19-year-old man in connection with a shooting that injured six people at the Oceano Dunes Natural Preserve on California's central coast. According to the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Office, investigators believe the shooting just after midnight was an isolated incident and there is no threat to the public. The conditions of those hurt weren't immediately available.

SOURCE: 5 May 2019, SF Gate

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) San Diego – Smuggling Suspect Stopped with 88-pounds Methamphetamine, Seven-pounds heroin

(U) Border Patrol agents at a Campo freeway checkpoint found a little more than 88-pounds of methamphetamine and nearly 7-pounds of heroin hidden in a false compartment of a pickup bed. The value of the drugs was estimated at about \$185,000 and \$70,000, respectively. According to authorities, a Ford Ranger pickup stopped at the checkpoint on west Interstate 8, where agents directed him to a secondary inspection area. A drug-sniffing dog reacted to the truck. Agents searched the vehicle and discovered that the bed had a false floor. They pulled 88-packages of drugs from the hidden compartment.

SOURCE: 3 May 2019, The San Diego Union-Tribune

(U) Texas – Customs and Border Patrol Stop Large Drug Shipment

(U) El Paso – US Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations officers working at the El Paso port of entry seized 232-pounds of marijuana on 2 May. CBP officers working at the Paso Del Norte crossing made the seizure apprehension after a CBP drug-sniffing dog alerted to the vehicle. CBP officers continued their inspection and located hidden compartments in the walls of the bed of the pickup. More than 200 drug-filled bundles were seized. The driver was turned over to the El Paso County Sheriff's office for prosecution.

SOURCE: 3 May 2019, CBP

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(U) NATIONAL

(U) Mississippi – Police Officer Shot and Killed Outside Station, Suspect Escaped

(U) Biloxi – An on-duty police officer was shot and killed outside a station house in Biloxi, Mississippi. The officer, Robert Mceithan, was shot multiple times by a suspect who escaped. Authorities had no additional information on the circumstances surrounding the shooting, such as whether it was targeted. Gulfport police is the lead investigating agency. The investigation is still ongoing.

SOURCE: 6 May 2019, Sun Herald

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Afghanistan – Taliban Attacks Northern Police Headquarters

(U) Pul-e-Khumri – At least 13 people have been killed and dozens wounded after Taliban fighters attacked a police headquarters in northern Afghanistan on 5 May. A suicide bomber driving a Humvee loaded with explosives started the assault in the city of Pul-e-Khumri. The Taliban claimed responsibility for the attack, after turning down a ceasefire agreement proposed by the government last week. According to officials, armed Taliban fighters entered the police headquarters after an explosion at its gate before firing on Afghan security services inside.

SOURCE: 5 May 2019, BBC

(U) Australia – Seven Million Worth of Meth Mistakenly Shipped to Elderly Australian Couple

(U) Bundoora – An elderly Australian couple signed for a package containing seven million worth of methamphetamine, which had accidentally been shipped to their house, police said. The couple, who live outside Melbourne, called police after opening the parcel and discovering it contained bags of white substance. Authorities determined the substance to be 20-kilograms of the illegal drug. Hours after the couple's discovery, a 21-year-old man was arrested in the nearby town of Bundoora. A further 20-kilograms of methamphetamine were found at the address where he was arrested. SOURCE: 4 May 2019, Fox News

(U) Germany – European, American Authorities Make Major Darknet Bust

(U) Wiesbaden – Three German men were arrested after raids in three southern states on allegations they operated the so-called the "Wall Street Market" darknet platform, which hosted some 5,400 sellers and 1.15 million customer accounts. The men, whose names weren't released, face drug charges in Germany on allegations they administrated the platform where cocaine, heroin and other drugs, as well as forged documents and other illegal materials were sold. They have also been charged in the US. In the nearly two-year operation that involved European police agency Europol and authorities in the Netherlands as well as the US and Germany, investigators pinpointed the administrators of the platform. SOURCE: 3 May 2019, NBC Philadelphia

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